

## STATE OF MAINE DEPARTMENT OF MARINE RESOURCES 21 STATE HOUSE STATION AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333-0021

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COMMISSIONER

## **Shellfish Harvesting Area Classification-Notification of Changes**

July 8, 2016

## Ladies and Gentlemen:

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Under the authority of Maine statute 12 M.R.S.A., Chapter 607, Section 6172; the Commissioner has made the following classification change to Area 56, Northwestern Cobscook Bay (Edmunds Twp, Dennysville, Pembroke, Perry): This notice reduces the Restricted area in the Dennys and Hardscrabble River (Dennysville and Pembroke) due to water quality meeting approved standards. All existing pollution and red tide/PSP closures remain in effect.

The boundary descriptions of the area are as follows (struck text is being removed and underlined text is being added):

- A. Effective immediately, because of pollution, it shall be unlawful to dig, take or possess any clams, quahogs, oysters or mussels from the shores, flats and waters of the following Prohibited area(s):
  - 1. Pennamaquan River (Pembroke): northwest of a line beginning at a red painted post located on the west shore of the Pennamaquan River approximately 400 yards south of the intersection of the Brickyard and Leighton Point roads and then running northeast to a red painted post on the east shore of the Pennamaquan River.
- B. Effective immediately, because of pollution, it shall be unlawful to dig, take or possess any clams, quahogs, oysters or mussels from the shores, flats and waters of the following Restricted area(s) without a special MDMR permit:
  - 1. Sipp Bay (Perry): west of a line beginning at the south tip of an unnamed point on the east shore of Sipp Bay approximately 310 yards from the center of the culvert where Sipp Stream crosses the Old County Road, then running south to the east most tip of an unnamed point on the west shore of Sipp Bay.
  - 2. Dennys River and Hardscrabble River (Pembroke, Dennysville and Edmunds Twp): west of a line beginning at the northwest southeast tip of an un-named point of land located approximately 650 yards from the peak of Mount Dorcas that forms the western mouth of Ox Cove (Pembroke), then running south northwest to a red painted post located on to the east tip of an unnamed point approximately 300 yards north of the east tip of Hinkley Point south shore of the Dennys River (Edmunds Twp).
  - 3. Burnt Island, Leighton Neck (Pembroke): north and west\_of a line beginning at the southeast tip of land that forms the eastern mouth of Ox Cove, then running southeast, to the southwest tip of Burnt Island, then continuing southeast, to the northwest tip of Wilbur Neck; AND northwest of a line beginning at the northwest tip of Wilbur Neck, running northeast to the south tip of "Jodis Knoll".
- D. Effective immediately, because of seasonal pollution, it shall be unlawful to dig, take or possess any clams, quahogs, oysters or mussels from the shores, flats and waters of the following Conditionally Approved area(s) during the closed dates:

1. Hobart Stream (Edmunds Twp.) West of the US Route 1 Bridge. This area is closed July 1st through December 31st.

If you have questions, please contact Angel Ripley or Kohl Kanwit, Department of Marine Resources, 194 McKown Point Road, West Boothbay Harbor, Maine 04575-0008, Tel: (207) 633-9515 or (207) 633-9535, Email: <a href="maine.gov">angel.ripley@maine.gov</a> or <a href="maine.gov">Kohl.Kanwit@maine.gov</a>. During <a href="maine.gov">weekends/holidays</a>, contact the appropriate State Police barracks: from <a href="maine.gov">New Hampshire border to Brunswick</a>, barracks 1-800-228-0857; from <a href="maine.gov">Cushing/Boothbay to Lincolnville/Belfast area</a>, barracks 1-800-452-4664; from <a href="maine.gov">Belfast to Canadian border</a>, barracks 1-800-432-7381. This notice can be viewed on the Department's website at: <a href="http://www.maine.gov/dmr/rm/public\_health/closures/closedarea.htm">http://www.maine.gov/dmr/rm/public\_health/closures/closedarea.htm</a>. This information is also recorded on our

HOTLINE (207-624-7727 OR 1-800-232-4733).

Sincerely,

David W. Miller

Eastern Maine Growing Area Commissioner's Designee

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10:45 AM (Effective Time)

## Maine Department of Marine Resources

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